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Serial No. : 10/081,816 Examiner: John D. Ulm  
Filed : February 22, 2002 Art Unit: 1649  
For : CHEMOSENSORY GENE FAMILY ENCODING GUSTATORY AND  
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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the April 14, 2008 Final Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is \$555.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. With the three-month extension, a response to the April 14, 2008 Final Office Action is due October 14, 2008. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today for the purpose of filing a continuation application.

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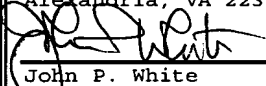
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No fee, other than the enclosed \$555.00 fee for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

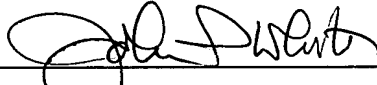
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